

House File 511 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing for the designation of a state historian.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 303.8A State historian designated.

2 1. The board of trustees of the state historical society
3 of Iowa shall select a list of three nominees for designation
4 as state historian, along with biographical and professional
5 information and supporting representative material, who are
6 residents of Iowa and who could promote an understanding
7 and appreciation of the history of this state. The list of
8 nominees shall be transmitted to the governor. The governor
9 shall select the state historian from the list of nominees for
10 a two-year term of office. The state historian is an honorary
11 state office and the incumbent is not entitled to compensation
12 as a result of the appointment.

13 2. At the announcement of the appointment of each new state
14 historian, the governor shall pay tribute to the contribution
15 that Dr. Dorothy Schwieder made to the understanding and
16 appreciation of the history of this state as a teacher, author,
17 and mentor.

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 This bill provides for the designation of a state historian.
22 Under the bill, the board of trustees of the state historical
23 society of Iowa shall compile a list of three nominees and
24 submit their names and supporting material to the governor.
25 The governor shall select from that list a state historian to
26 serve a two-year term. The state historian is not entitled to
27 compensation as a result of receiving the appointment. At the
28 announcement of each new state historian, the governor shall
29 pay tribute to the contribution that Dr. Dorothy Schwieder made
30 to the understanding and appreciation of the history of this
31 state as a teacher, author, and mentor.